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to those who so liberally patronized him season, and hopes they may seek out ice will be given hereafter as to the holding the public Balls.

The proprietor will run a fine Coach to and e Springs to Charlestown, every day on the of the cars from Baltimore and Winches-

in. -\$9 first week, \$8 second, or \$30 per

JOHN J. ABELL. e 6, 1848-3m.

A. B. O'BANNON, CTAL TA TERROTT destown, Jefferson County, Virginia, ACTICES in the Superior and County ourts of Jefferson and Prederick, and in erior Courts of BERKELLY and CLARKE

. Notwithstanding his engagements in ck, he will be enabled to devote more his professional business in Jefferson eretofore, having withdrawn from the Courts of Berkeley and Clarke Counties. Office is removed to the one occupied by ker, Esq., near Carter's Hotel, and oppo-Court House. ıst 1, 1848.

JAMES MCSHERRY,

WAS TA TETTECTE s-Ferry, Jefferson County, Virginia ACTISES in the County and Superior urts of Jefferson, Berkeley, Morgan and ck Counties. Feb. 8, 1848-tf.

GEORGE W. RANSON.

Attorney at Law, S removed his Office to the building recently occupied by John R. Flagg as a Sheriffs two doors East of the Bank. will attend the various Courts of Jefferson,

ley, Frederick and Morgan Counties. VATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.

E have just received from Philadelphia, a resh supply of goods in our line, among are the following : Joseph Johnson's cele-Church Street Gold Lever Watches, are excelled by none and equalled by but Also Breast-Pins, Earrings, Bracelets, Guard and Fob Chains, Gold and Silver Penith Diamond Pointed Pens, Gold and Silver acles to suit all ages. Ladies' and Gentlefine set Plain and Chased Rings, Shirt ns, Gold and Silver Thimbles, Gold Mina-Cases, Lockets, &c., which we can sell at which cannot fail to please. Give us a call C. G. STEWART & SON.

11,1848. DR. WM. H. D. HALL,

FERS his Professional Services to the citiens of Charlestown and its vicinity. nce is the house formerly occupied by Mr. W. CRANE, and three doors West of the nce of the late Dr. CRAMER. ust 1, 1848-3m.-F. P. Copy

CO-PARTNERSHIP.

E undersigned have formed a Co-Partnerip under the name and style of T. G. Raw-Co., and will be glad to receive for the new

ounty generally, THOMAS RAWLINS, THOMAS G. RAWLINS. rlestown, August 1, 1848.

REMOVAL. IE undersigned has removed his Confeconary and Grocery Establishment to the recently occupied by Mr. John Brook as a er's Shop, one door east of Carter's Hotel. as just received a fresh supply of

roceries and Confectionary, he will sell at very low rates for cash. respectfully solicits a call from the public ing them that he will sell as low as any oth-use in the county. JOSHUA RILEY. B .- Four or five genteel Boarders can be modated on good terms. J. R. b. 22, 1848.—tf.

MARBLE YARD.

WILLIAM ANDERSON returns his acknow-V ledgments to the citizens of Charlestown and of the County generally, for the liberal patronage extended towards him, since the opening of his Establishment in this place. For the inture, the most active exertions will be used to render entire satisfaction to all who may desire as mementoes for their friends, either

Monuments, Tombs, Read and FOOT STONES.

or any other article pertaining to this line. The quality and price shall not be surpassed by any other establishment in this section of the country. paper discontinued, except at the option of All articles will be delivered without cost to the purchaser, and at the risk of the Manufacturer. A continuance of the public's palronage is respectfully solicited.

IF Shop on Main street, adjoining the Cabinet Factory of the Messrs. Starry, and opposite the

Charlestown, April 11, 1848-0m NEW MARDWARE STORE.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform their friends of Jefferson and the adjoining counties, and all who may call on them, that they are now prepared to offer Low, an Entire New Stock of Hardware, which has been selected with the greatest care, from the Daropean and American Manufacturers.
Their Stock, in part, comprises the following

Knives, Scissors, Needles, Razors, Saws, Axes, Files, Locks, Hinges, Bolts, Screws, Guns, Cartain Bands, Tea Trays, Fire Irons, Cast Pots, Ovens, Kettles, Spades, Shovels, Scythes, Rakes, Forks, Chains, Nuils, Iron, Steel, Tin, Wire, Cop-per, Zinc, Lead, Lead Pipe, Pamps, Hydraulic Rams, &c.; Stoves, Grates, Anvils, Vices, Bellows, Harness and Saddlery Mountings; Elliptic Springs and Axles, warranted; Patent Leather, Painted Cloth, Coach Lace, Lamps, Hubs, Bows, Hub-bands, Mallable Castings, and all Goods usually kept in Hardware Stores, which we offer vholesale and retail at our new Granite from pring and Baths.

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Ward-houses, sign of the Gill Plane, at the Southeast may rest assured that the comfort

> OPEQUON WOOLLEN EACTORY. FETHE undersigned respectfully informs the

citizens of Berkeley, Jefferson and Frederick counties, and the public generally, that he intends carrying on the above establishment in all its vaions branches, and is new ready for receiving vork, such as Carding Wool into Rolls and Dressng Cloths to order, which he pledges himself

He will receive Wool to manufacture: into Broad or Narrow Cloths, Fulled and Plaid Linseys, Tweeds, Cassinetts, Blanketing, Counterpanes and Carpeting; or will exchange the above articles for Wool on the most second ad-Having employed an experienced workman to

conduct the concern, he leels confident of giving full satisfaction to all who may favor him with For the convenience of persons at a distance, Wool will be received and returned when Carded, At Aldridge's (Cameron's) Depot, Geo. II. Beckwith's Store, Smithfield, and at Leetewn on Tuesday; and at Boyd's Store, Bunker's Hill, Capt. Seaman's Store, and at Wysong's Store in Darkswille, on Frider of Seaman's Store, and at Wysong's Store in Darkswille, on Frider of Seaman's Store, and Store of Seaman's Store of Seaman's Store, and Seaman's Store, and Seaman's Store in Darkswille, on Frider of Seaman's the weather permitting,) at the following places

lle, on Friday of each week.

JAMES C. WHITEHILL. Opequen Mills, April 25, 1848-Em. P. S. I will at all times pay the highest mar-

set price for all kinds of Grain. REMOVAL.

THE undersigned has removed his Shop to the stand of Wells J. Hawks, at his Coach Factory, (formerly occupied by me,) where I will for the future keep constantly on hand, and man afacture to order at short notice, every variety of Saddles, Bridles and Emmess,

ogether with all kinds of Collars, Travelling l'ranks, of all sorts and sizes, and at prices to sui Il persons,-and all articles in my line of busiess. I respectfully invite my old friends and customers to call and examine my stock of Sadlles, Bridles, Harness, Collars, Trauks, &c., before purchasing elsewhere, as I am determined to sell as cheap, and on as good terms as any other

stablishment in the county. Feeling thankful for favors heretofore extended hope, by renewed efforts to please, to merit and eccive a fair proportion of the business of the JOHN BROOK. eighborhood.

Charlestown, Jan. 25, 1848.

N. B.—Repairing done with neatness and despatch, at the shortest notice. [F: P. copy 3t. THE ARM NIELE.

HE undersigned respectfully gives notice to the Farmers of Jefferson and Clarke Counties, that he has purchased the Flouring Mill on the "Bullskin Run," known as the "Ark Mill," and has put the same in the most complete order for grinding. The highest cash price will at all times be paid for Wheat, or it will be ground as heretofore, for the toll, and the undersigned will tand the inspection of Baltimore or the District Markets.

LF Country Work of all description, will be one at the shortest notice.

A share of the patronage of the Farmers is respectfully solicited, as it is believed entire satisfaction can be rendered.

THADDEUS BANEY. June 27, 1848-2m.-F. P. Copy.

LT A good Dwelling House for Rent near the Mill; it is a fine location for a Cooper. Possessession given immediately. June 27, 1848.

MISS HELM'S FEMALE SCHOOL. HE duties of this School will be resumed on the first Monday in September next, at the

School Room attached to the residence of Mrs. GRIGGS, in Charlestown. All the branches of an English education are thoroughly taught at this but a large share of worldly fame and renown, together with Music on the Piano and was not a graduate of any college. He have Guitar. The terms such as heretofore published LOST,

BETWEEN the hours of 8 o'clock on the morning of the 17th and 5 o'clock on the 18th inst., either going to, at, or returning from the Democratic Festival, or, at Harpers-Ferry, a Small Sheep-Skin Pocket-Book, containing SEVENTY DOLLARS in Bank Notes-all, or nearly all, on the Valley Bank .-The description that the subscriber will give of the Pocket Book and its contents will be sufficient to satisfy any rational mind. Any informatton that may lead to the recovery of the Pocket Book he patronage and support of the citizens of and its contents, will be thankfully received and unty generally.

WM. MORGAN, At Keyes' Switch. Aug. 29, 1848.

HATS AND CAPS.

To Country Merchants and others. JAS. L. McPHAIL & BRO. 282 Baltimore Street, next door to the Baltimore Clipper Office, respectfully call the attention of their friends and the public generally, to their large assort-ment of HATS and CAPS of every style and variety, which they offer for sale upon the most reasonable terms. Wholesaic and Retail Baltimore, March 7, 1848.—6m.

Domestics.

BALE Cotton Laps, also I bale Harpers-Fer-Try 4-1 Brown Cottons, just received by JOHN K. WOODS & CO. July 25, 1848.

Rosenberger's mills—els aw could be find out, as he did, by profound an isquatical calculations, the precise time of the transits of Venus and Mercury which occurred in 1769? And, as in the case of the philosophic Franklin, this self-icquired education procuted for him wealth, hopors, and a high place in the affections of the overs of astronomical science of every clime.— Phus, affording another example, illustrative of the first that a good education can be obtained

he fact, that a good education can be obtained y untiring industry, without the walls of Colle-But, if it should so happen that, not withstanding you obey, in every minute, these injunctions of mine, by richly cultivating your minds, and yet should not be able to reach some of the state stand most lucrative offices in our government think you that all your toils and labers, in the cultivating your mind, will be labors spent in your monothese.

labors will not be in vain. the such they should no obtain for you a single that of the glittering dust, and enable you to call a not some of the highest and most honorable pusts in our government. But they will, in all probability, secure for you something infinitely more valuable than either the gold of Opher, the gems of Golconda, or the adulations of millions of your fellow-men. They will enable you to read, understandingly, the scrip tures of eternal truth, which will doubtless make youall good christians whilst occupying theselower regions where sorrows grow. And then, when the angel of death shall be deputed, from heaven's chancery, to execute his office, you will be prepared to quit, without a sigh, this vain and perishing world, and wing your mystic flight to the bright regions of everlasting felicity, "where the wicked cease from troubling, and where the weary

since. The General was represented as standing with one foot upon the brow of the boat, with his sword in his right hand, glittering in the light of Heaven, while two of his brave and undaunted soldiers were described as standing somewhat in the rear of his position, holding fast to his coat stail, each seeming eager to have the honor of first planting his foot upon the hostile soil of the enemy, as soon as the boat should approach within a bound of the shore, and not a person here to oppose their landing but two old women unarmed, who hailed their coming with ecstacy and delight, and waved their pocket-handkerchiels Me. Epron :- By request, I ask the publication as a signal that they were welcome to the land of the foc. So far the description was given in the highest tones and most lotty flights of elo-quence. But here the scene closed, without awarding to the General one jot or title of honor the following on the first or miscellaneous page the peroration of an Address, on the subject of Education, which Idelivered some time ago, by candle light, in the old German Church in Smithfor any of his public or military services. Whether field.-my auditors being principally Young Men the scene here closed from choice of the orator, or from an apprehension on his part of doing in-justice to the General by following him on to Fort Malden, in the sketch he was drawing of * * * * * And, my hearers, under him, and including it in the picture, as at this part of the scene twilight was fast giving way to this third and last head of my discourse, I am to present to your consideration some inducements darkness, I am entirely unable to say; yet I may to stimulate you to give more attention to, and to be allowed to venture an opinion, and it is this that had darkness at this period of the tragedy fore fully appreciate the advantages or importance of education. But, my hearers, what more not thrown its dusky mantle over the canvass of can I offer to your serious contemplation than I have already presented to effect this important the painter, in justice to the General, he would have followed him on to Fort Malden and incluurpose? Have I not already called your attended its reduction as a gem in the crown or a laurel ion to the highly probable facts that some of the treatest men, and highest public functionaries of in the wreath of his military glory; he would also have followed him through the varied perils and ur government, over the possession of their high privations incident in the life of a soldier in suc-cessfully conducting a border warfare with the ciar gentlemen of high and polished education? savage Indians, and in bringing those to terms of Have I not also fully illustrated the fact, that we conciliating and peace who had been incited to a nation, derive incalculable moral and reli ous advantages from education? And have I he commission of the most savage and bloody acts of depredation by the influence and pay of the

ot also shown clearly, some of the disadvantages rising to man from a to al want of education ?think, my hearers I, myself, can safely respond Well then, my hearers, in consideration of all here facts and circumstances, all tending to show he importance to men of education, both in a se cular and moral point of view, and the great disn ivautages, consequent upon his illiteracy, let me beseech you, in the con clusion of this hastily prepared Address, to arouse and wake up, from that ndifference, to this highly important topic, which many of you, and immediately commence putting

n requisition all the faculties of your minds to acquire a good education. For you have just seen, in the course of my remarks, on this occasion what great and glorious things education has done for the secular, as well as moral welfare, of men in the United States. And as some of you are young and doubtless panting for worldly fame, distinction, and renown, who knows but that, if in future, you give the proper attention to the culture and improvement of your minds, you may yet se from obscurity, as they did, to some of the ighest, most humblest, and lucrative posts in this land of the free and home of the brave." It is an old saying that, "whatever has taken place, may take place again." So, my juvenile hearers although the most of you are now moving in the humbler walks of life, as I before intimated, in consequence of the want of education, you may yet, like them, lift yourselves to the very highest pina-

flirmatively to these interrogatories.

Spirit of Jefferson.

FOR THE "SPIRIT OF JEFFERSON."

EDUCATION.

your useful and wide-spreading periodical .-

August, 1848.

G. GILBERT.

improvement and cultivation of your minds But to this, my juvenile hearers, methinks l ear some of you responding after this fashion :-Ah! how can we obtain a good education, secing that we have not the pecuniary means to defray the expense of spending several years at Princeton, the University of Virginia, Hamden Sidney, or at any of the reputable colleges of our

My juvenile hearers: It is not absolutely es sential to your obtaining a good education, and enjoy its honors and emoluments, that you spend at a great expense, a series of years, either at Princeton or at any other seat of science. Benjamin Franklin, who, from a poor tallow chandler boy, without education, became one of the brightest luminaries that ever glittered in the gallaxy of the American literati, and whose literary labors secured for him, not only an ample fortune, was not a graduate of any college. He, however, by trimming the midnight lamp, as you can all do, whilst others, less industrious than himself, were supinely snoring away, in the arms of Somnus, their little span of existence,-became, not only well acquinted with the English, French, Italian, Spanish, and Latin languages, but also so profoundly skilled in the abstruce and difficult science of electricity that he not unfrequently, for the amusement of the ignorant, played with the forked lightnings of heaven, as with a mere toy. Yes, my juvenile hearers, in the example the illustrious Franklin, the once poor, illiterate tallow chandler boy, you have a lesson replete with instruction. For it shows you most clearly tants, wealth, fame, and renown, can be procured

And, my juvenile hearers, where did the once poor illiterate, plough boy, David Rittenbouse of Pounsylvania, graduate? Was it at either of these ancient and reputable seats of literature, Harvard University, Yaie, or William and Mary? Certainly not. He neither graduated at one of hese nor at any other college; and yet, by his them. To day the Hon. Bedford Brown was in intiring industry, in the pursuit of literature, he not only made himself well acquainted with the English, French, German, and Dutch languages, ler. So may it be with all Democrats who per-English, Freuch, German, and Dutch languages, but also became one of the greatest astronomers that the world ever saw-yes, young gentlemen, cratic party-especially those of the South he was, apparently, as well acquainted with the orbitral movements of those multitudinous glitterng worlds, which are now suspended in the few days ago, near Springfield, Illinois. Some o ethercal vault, as you are with the public high- his ribs were broken, and he was otherwise in-ways leading from Smithfield to Watson's and jured, but we hope not fatally.

THE BIG PICTURE. FOR THE SPIRIT OF JEFFERSON. The description of the landing of Gen. Cass on the shores of Canada, were given in an oratorical sketch of the most glowing colors, by a Whigehampion of Shepherdstown, but a short time

British officers and government. Will that ingeious artist be so kind as to give us a drawing of General Cass and his little band in the cont oversy with the Indiansat Sault de. St. Marie? where chief under the pay of the British governmen and reached the cross of St. George's and there stood with his eight hundred hold and fearless warriors to defend the flag of that nation, while General Cass walked up in person and tore the flag from its staff, trampled it under foot, and through the aid of his interpreter, under the broad seal of the United States, warned them that they were within its jurisdiction, and that no flag bu the Stars and Stripes could ever be permitted to wave over that soil. Another beautiful subject for the skill of our artist, would be the description o th General in the manly stand he took in thwarting the designs of Great Britain in the Quintule treaty, liere he might represent him as a bold and chivalrous advocate of the rights and privileges of nations, standing in a very commanding attitude before the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, with his protest to that government in his left hand directed toward the chamber of deputies, while in his right hand he holds the fanous pamphlet which was the means of subverting an infamous treaty, which wanted nothing for its completion but the exchange of ratifications

on the part of the French government, to make it

a law by which all the nations of the world were

to be governed, and a short distance in the rear-

ward of his position, here should be represented

triot and statesman, as a saver of the rights of

native and beloved country, and if sound could b

represented in such a scene, there might be heard

ones of the most heaven-rending and enthusias-

ic acclamations offered to the eternal God for

is preservation and return, that would make the

welkin ring with a sound of animation that would

carry gratitude to the heart of every true patriot

of the land. And if upon the resuming of his la-

porious task, our artist would touch pon all those

SPIKE THAT GUN.

But their joy will be turned to sorrow; for the

Union has the following extract of a letter from

ALBEMARLE, Va. Aug. 29.

people of the United States.

Shepherdstown, Va.

camen and nations, to the bosom friends of his

the deputed agents of foreign nations, to the Court cles of worldly fame and renown by the prope of France, reaching and struggling for those amphlets with all the avidity and eagerness of the Delphic Priests for the holy oracles of the divinely inspired and agitated Pythier. And to complete the picture he might sketch the landing o he General at the city of New York, on his re turn from his French mission, and if that scene was represented in as vivid and glowing colors by our friend, as was that of his landing near For Malden, there might (as was really the case) be seen, men, women and children crowding the streets from the bank to the battery, willing and anxious to welcome the return of the sage, pa

by the indigent though they never pass the thresh-

I believe all is well here, and I think Cass and Butler will be triumphantly elected Those Democrats in this county who joined the Taylor ranks, are fast coming back to the Democracy mitted themselves to stray away from the Demo-BISHOP CHASE was thrown from his buggy

LETTERS FROM DISTINGUISHED DEMOURATS.

From E. W. Massey, Esq., WHITE POST, Aug. 15, 1818. Gentlemen :- Yours of the 5th inst., inviting ne to a Democratic Barbecue to be held on the 17th of this mouth, for the purpose of " aiding in the clevation of those distinguished patriots Cass and Butler, to the highest honors of the Republic, was duly received. I thank you gentlemen, sin-cerely, for your kind invitation, and only regret that I shall not be able to unite with my Demo-cratic friends of Jefferson at their proposed meet-

DEMOCRATIC PESTIVAL.

The elevation of Cass and Butler to the offices for which they have been nominated, is an object worthy the best efforts of every true Democrat in our land. It is an object upon the accomplishment of which depends, (or my opinion,) not only the preservation of the Constitution from violence and intraction, but the Union itself from danger, and possibly from destruction. Thus believing, I am of course under the very strongest obligation to aid, so far as I possibly can, in the elevation of Gen Cass to the Presidency. As a member of the Democratic party I am greatly encouraged in the performance of this duty, by the belief that many of my fellow-citizens who have hitherto acted with our political opposents, will unite with the Democratic party in the coming contest; and many more who are dissatisfied with the Whig what the leaders of their party might denominate inconsistency, will remain neutral. And why should not many of our patriotic Whig friends unite with us in preserving a Democratic Administration of the Government? Have not the leaders of the Whig party by their nomination of a candidate with no avowed principles-and by their unceasing efforts since the nomination, to keep all the real issues out of sight—denouncing the Bank, the Tariff, Distribution, &c., &c., as obsolete ideas, have they not, I ask, by this very course, paid to Democratic principles and to the Democratic Administration of the Government, a compliment stronger than words direct could pos-

Certainly if the principles which the Whigs once gloried in maintaining, have sunk so low none are found to do them reverence"-so low that the "occupation of their Embodiment is gone' -something must have wrought this mighty the Government upon Democratic principles that This tacit concession from the Whigh party (that Republican principles have at length become too popular to be successfully contended against,) is a high compliment I admit, but it should not full us into indifference. We must remember that "eternal vigilance is the price of iberty." Our political enemies have adopted a new method of operation, and it is necessary to expose all their devices. Let energy, union and harmony prevail in our ranks and the day is ours. While disaffection has invaded some portions of our Northern Territory, and unholy fanatacism seems to be marshalling its forces against the Republican party and the Union, we must re-member that amongst our Northern friends are very many firm friends of the Union, and of our ights under it. Our candidate is a Northern nan, and we know from the honest avowa: of his principles, that he is sound upon the great questions of Southern rights; and as an individual, I am glad of the opportunity afforded me by his

the shores of the sunny South. Let not the Democratic party unite in any efort to disperse the fanatical inflamation of the North by counter irritation in the South, but let them honor sound principles to whatever section of our Union they may belong.

Hoping, gentlemen, that you may have such a stration at your meeting as your efforts demand, I remain very truly your friend and E. W. MASSEY.

Messrs. R. Hume Butcher and others,

From Hon. E. Lewis Lowe. FREDERICK, August 5th, 1848. Gentlemen :- I have the honor to acknowledge he receipt of your letter of this date, inviting me to attend and address a Mass Meeting of th Democracy of Jefferson and the adjoining Counties, on the 17th inst. My official duties, here, as one of the Electoral Candidates for the State at large, demand almost every moment of my time, and occupy my whole attention; for, having resolved to carry Maryland, we are endeavorng to organize the party thoroughly. We en-

tertain strong hopes of success. If it be possible, however, I shall take great pleasure in accepting your polite invitation. So far, I am disengaged for the 17th, and anticipate no call in this State. Our Committee in county, are now making arrangements for a Mass Meeting on the 22d inst., which will be the first of a series of meetings called in every part of the State, at each of which the Electoral candidates will be in attendance, and spare no exertion to arouse our people to a final effort for supremacy in this State.

We believe that the influence of Mr. Clay alone, kept Maryland in the chains of Whiggery The magic of his name has passed away friends und admirers are paralized-whilst our party is correspondingly elated and hopeful. We shall expect good news from the Old Do-

With great respect, your ob't, serv't.
E. LEWIS LOWE. Messrs. R. Hume Burches, and others, Con

From Hon. Reah Frazer.

ield on the 17th of this month and address the

people, came duly to hand. I regret exceedingly that my engagements are such, that I cannot leave here at that time, as I can fancy few pleasures greater than of meeting with the Democracy of the Ancient Dominion, and divising the most active measures for the tri umphant success of our candidates and our prin ciples, and solemaly pledging our unaltered de-votion to that "beloved Union," which will stand to the last moment of time.

The Democracy of Virginia has never faltered or given way in the day of battle;—never bended points of the public services of Gen. Cass, then the picture will be a gran affair, quite vendible, and I have not the least doubt that it will meet her knee to Federalism, from the time that J. ffer son, at the head of the column made the first the approbation of a considerable majority of the breach in the walls of the enemy, until the pre sent moment. In 1840, when all the large States gave way, she stood unmoved, unchanged and un-conquered, amidst the tempest that then swept over the land, and nobly sustained Van Buren, The Whig papers have gloried over the facwho like an ingrate now turns round and bites hat Bedford Brown. Esq , a distinguished Sena the hands which fed him. tor from North Carolina during Gen. Jackson's It can be no matter of surprise then, that I Administration and now a resident of Albemarle county Va., bad come out for Taylor and Fillmore

would desire to meet such true hearted men, and such unyielding Democrats, and sorry am I, that ricumstances here forbid me the pleasure.

This State is entirely safe for Cass and But ler, and if they should put up an Abolition Van Buren, misnamed Free Soil Ticket, we will carry the State by a largely increased majority for the Democratic candidates.

Thanking you most kindly for your invitation,
I remain most truly,
Your obedient servant. Mesers, R. Home Burchen and others, Committee

From Hon. Thomas Sloan. NEAR ROMNEY, August 12, 1848. on the 17th inst., was not received till yester- THE TOURNAMENT AT JORDAN'S.

I regret very much that, in all probability it will not be in my power to profit by the honor your committee has tendered to me. It is consoling, however, to see the Democracy—the people every where, preparing to defend their

Constitution, now so desperately assailed.
In accordance with this consolation, permit me, if the occasion is not inappropriate, to propose the annexed sentiment.

The Constitution as it is, and especially the 2nd clause of the 7th section of the 1st article. In the words of Wushington, "The necessity of reciprocal checks in the exercise of political power, by dividing and distributing it into different de pusitories, and constituting each the guardian of positories, and constituting each the guardian of the public weal, against invasions by the others, has been evinced by expangant experiments, ancient and modern; for them in our own country, and under the news. To preserve them must be as necessary as to institute them. If, in the opinion of the people, the distribution or modification of the constitutional power, be, in any particular wrong, let it be corrected by an amountment in the way which the constituan amendment in the way which the constitu-tion designates. But let there be no change by usurpation; for though this in one instance, may be the instrument of good, it is the customary weapon by which free governments are destroy-ed."

Respectfully your ob't. serv't.

11. A. Maddux, Winchester, 12. Joseph Engle, Jefferson, 13. Thos. D. Moore, do.

14. Thomas W. Wall, Frederick, 15. B. F. Gallaber, Richmond, 16. Geo. E. Mattingly, Washington, 17. Samuel N. Harris, Jefferson, 18. Hunter H. McGuire, Winchester, an amendment in the way which the constitu-

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THOMAS SLOAN.
R. HUME BUTCHER, E-q., Chair. D. C. of Jeffenson.

From Hon. Shelton F. Leake CHARLOTTSVILLE, Aug. 3, 1848. On reaching home last night, I found your note

of the 26th ult., inviting me to a public Demo-cratic Barbecue on the 17th August in Jefferson. Nothing would afford me higher gratification than to visit, on such an occasion, your interesting portion of the State, but unfortunately, I have an favor of woman. He therefore cheered them on engagement for that day, in Roanoke county, which will debar me of the pleasure. . It is the mereture cheered them on to a high and manly bearing, and to an observance of all the courtesies which should distinguish the With high respect,

Your ob't. servant SHELTON F. LEAKE.
To Messrs. R. II. BUTCHER and others, Committee

By Hon. Wm. Lucas. The Jefferson Company of Volunteers: Raised in spite of Whig discouragement—against open and secret sneers at the Mechanic Officers at- fearless and elegant, and clearly evinced that onchange, and the waylaring man though a fool tempting it; though divided in political sentiment, cannot fail to recognize in the administration of all patriots, all Whigs, all Democrats, and not a tempting it; though divided in political sentiment, ly a little practice was needed, with good horses, "Mexican Whig" among them. From my sick couch I welcome you home, and send this token is the result: of my respect, with the enclosed subscription to W. M. Millan aid in rendering honor to those who richly merit | R. T. Baldwin it, deeply regretting my unavoidable absence.

THE CANAL TUNNEL. A citizen of Alexandria, writing from Cum-

berland, Md, to the Alexandria Gazette, gives A. M. Alien the following particulars in relation to the Great Tunnel of the Chesapeake and Ohio Cannal:

"I will attempt a brief description of my visit to the tunnel of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Favored by an invitation from one of the contraction. Maddax Joseph Engle Thos. D. Moore T. W. Wall B. F. Gallaher G. E. Mattingly S. N. Harris tors to accompany him and several other gentle-men, which was gladly accepted, we set out in W. G. Taylor the early train, the distance from this being twenty-five miles; then a walk of one mile brought us to the river, which was crossed.— The first thing in order to view the work going true Democratic principles wherever found; whether it be upon the borders of our frozen lakes, or the shores of the suppression Suffice it to say, they have 14 millions burnt and and ready to lay, 11 millions ready to burn, and the process of making going on at the rate of 44 m. per day. Other materials preparatory to the process of laying brick are in a forward state; in short all is ready for that process as soon as the engineer shall give the workman the orders. The view of the works of art and nature being over, being guided by a polite friend, with a small lamp in hand, four of the party mounted the tow path and entered the tunnel at the west | be entitled to the selection of the third Maid of end. Here the eye is forcibly struck with the Honor. magnitude of the work. Advancing by a narrow, and at present a rugged pathway, guided as aforesaid with a dim light, we proceeded 2,000 feet, when we arrived at the opening of two shafts running up to the top of the mountain, each 800 feet. Whilst at this point two blasts were let off near the east end of Qie tunnel; the reverberation was tremendous. From thence we proceeded to a point near the east end, where 50 men were at work, each with his little lamp, (reminding one of the story of the lower regions,) removing what accompanying the act with an appropriate and is called the heading about 30 yards of which yet eloquent address. The Queen bowed, and reremains. Returning, eight other blasts were let off, which no doubt if Gen. Taylor had been pre-sent, would have reminded him of the battle field of Buena Vista. On entering the tunnel, the oppo-

site end presents a light about the size of a street lamp, increasing in size as you approach it. This work is being prosecuted with vigor, (as, indeed, I have reason to believe the whole line of work is,) there being in all 250 men on this section; the work in the tunnel being presecuted by day and by night, there being a double set of hands .-The tunnel proper is 3,232 feet long.

The formation is one continuous slate rock, which is apparently very hard, but, on being ex- and the afternoon was spent in various amuscposed, readily yields to the action of the atmosphere and becomes disintegrated.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Much has been said and much written concernng this magnificent stream, which drains by means of its numerous tributaries a greater extent of country than any other river of the Globe; but few even imagine the future which at a moderate computation of probabilities rises up before us, GENTLEMEN.—Your kind letter of invitation to be resent at your Democratic Burbecue to be and improvements which a short lapse of time has Maids of Honor in attendance, she received the brought with it. 500 steamboats, carrying at one trip about 200,000 tons, are now employed in navi-gating this river and its tributaries. At an average of 36 trips per snnnm, the amount of yearly tonnage transported is 7,200,000 tons. Of the land adjoining and in communication with the river not more than one-third is under cultivation so that when the whole of this extent of country shall become settled, the number of boats required for the increase of population will be 5000! in

Add to this the prospect of the constantly improving state of husbandry in the West, which is constantly increasing the comparative productive-ness of the lands lying upon the river and its tribntaries, and we may safely calculate the number of steamboats necessary for the increase of busi ness at that time 10,000, making an amount of tonnage per acnum, at the same ratio as above, of 144,000,000 tons, and this without allowing for increase of speed, and consequently an increase in the yearly number of trips.

In the estimate we have taken no account of the

nmense business carried on at present down stream in flat-boats and otherwise, a great part of which will go by steam when the rapidly increasing development of resources shall have rendered this mode of conveyance less expensive than

it now is.

Time was, when it was predicted that ten days in this city, counterfeit \$5 of the Wash would suffice for this trip from New Orleans to Louisville, and many considered the estimate extravagant, but time has verified the truth of this ing over the ocean. The word "Williamsas well as of other similar predictions, in spite of the cavilings of those who are not sufficiently awake to the rapid progress of American enter-

rom home, the letter of your Committee, dated valence of the potato rot. It is most destructive are in large Roman, but very indistinct from nome, the letter of your Committee, dates valence or the 5th, inviting me to be present at a public in its ravages, and threatens, indeed, to sweep the capitals, by which they can be easily de-Democratic Barbecue, to be had at Charlestown lentice State.

The Tournament at the Frederick White Sulphur, though announced with very short no-tice, west off handsomely on Friday last, in the presence of a large concourse of ladies and gen-

tlemen. The following is a list of the officers and knights on the occasion :
JOSEPH TIDBALL, Esq., President. Capt. George R. Long Blarshal. H. N. GALLAHER, Herald.

Lewis M. Lauck, Aid. Lient, WM. McCormicz, Judges. Judges.

Joun J. Abell,

Knights

1. William M Millan, Fairfax,

2. Robert T. Buldwin, jr., Frederick,

3. George F. Washington, jr., do.

4. Charles M. Thompson, Jefferson,

5. John W. Moore,

6. Jeremiah Harris,

7. Edw'd C. Jolliffe, Frederick,

8. Bennett T. Norris, Jefferson,

9. B. B. Washington, Frederick,

10. A. M. Allen, Jefferson,

11. A. Maddux, Winchesser, 11. A. Maddux, Winchester,

19. Wm. G. Taylor, Clarke, 20. Wm. T. Allen, do. At 11 o'clock, the Knights, caparisoned, were drawn up into line by the Chief Marshal, and the rules to govern on the occasion were read by the President, Joseph Tidball, Esq., who then addressed the Knights in a most eloquent and animating strain, reminding them, that if their contests were not, as of old, to be marked by blood, their reward would be the same, the smiles and

sons of chivalry. The trial of skill was then begun, the Herald announcing the name of each Knight as he set off at full speed, with couched lance. The scene was really a brilliant one, the band striking up an appropriate strain as each Knight bore off the

to give it all the effects desired. The following touched; ring, touched, tailed, failed, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, ring, ring, failed, touched, ring, touched, touched, ring, touched, ring, G. F. Washington
C. M. Thompson
J. W. Moore
J. Harris
E. C. Jolliffe
B. T. Norris B. B. Washington ring, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched, touched,

There being a high wind during a great portion of the time, the task of taking the ring was rendered much more difficult than usual. Mr. Bennett T. Norris was declared the victorious Knight. Messrs. Millan and A. M. Alnade a new trial, when the l took the ring, and Mr. Millan only touched it.

Mr. Allen was therefore to select the first Maid of Honor, and Mr. Millan the second. There being a tie between Messrs. Harris, Joliffe, Engle, B. B. Washington, T. D. Moore, and Mattingly, a new trial was had, when Messrs. Harris, Engle, Moore, and Mattingly, each took the ring-and upon the next trial, Mr. Harris alone carried it off, and was declared to

The contest being thus ended, the Knights were drawn up in line, in front of the large portico of the Hotel, to make their selection of the

ladies to be distinguished on the occasion. Mr. Norris selected Miss Fannie Allen of Clarke, as the Queen of Love and Beauty, and brought up on the point of his lance the wreath with which she was to be decoratedwhich the President placed upon her lovely brow, eloquent address. The Queen bowed, and received most gracefully this token of distinction.

Mr. A. M. ALLEN selected Miss LUCY MAR-HALL of Kentucky, as the First Maid of Honor. Mr. MILLAN Selected Miss MARY MARSHALL, also of Kentucky, as the Second Maid of Honor. Mr. Hannis selected Miss Many H. Gallausa of Winchester, as the Third Maid of Honor. And each was decorated with a wreath suitable

the occasion. The company then separated, to prepare for linner. A sumptuous repast was served up by Mr. Jordan, of which many hundreds partook, ments.

The preparations for the Ball being concluded. the entree took place at 9 o'clock. & The beautiful Queen and her gallant Knight entered first, followed by her cortege, the three next successful Knights and the Maids of Honor-the other tumes. After promenading the room, the Queen was conducted to her seat, upon a handsome obeisance and congratulations of her numerous retinue and visiters, with much grace, and prov-

honor was well bestowed. This ceremony being over, the Queen, the Maids of Honor, and the victorious Knights, formed the first cotillon; after which the whole company entered into the merry dance. Several characters were personated by gentlemen present -among them, Richard the Third by Mr. T. B___I of Winchester, and a Spanish Cavalier

ed by her elegant and modest bearing that the

by Dr. G ____ of Washington. Every thing passed off pleasantly, and the Ball was closed about I o'clock in the morning, thus ending one of the most agreeable evenings ever spent by most of the company, the scenes being alto gether novel in this region. Mr. Jordan, the gentlemanly proprietor of the Spring, and his co-bliging nephews, deserve great credit for the a-greeable manner in which their part of the entertainment was conducted. All who participated seemed to enjoy themselves very much, and look forward with interest to a recurrence of such

pleasant scenes. A NEW COUNTERFEIT.

We learn, says the Baltimore Sun, that here has recently been put in circulation port" is very indistinct, and in small Roman capitals. The figure "5" is on each corner of the note, and also each side of POTATO ROT.—We regret to hear, says the Wisconsin Sentinel, from all quarters, of the preThe note we have seen is payable to W. S. Dall, and dated June 6, 1846,
Wisconsin Sentinel, from all quarters, of the pre-